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Parker, Bridget & Co Clothiers, 315 7th St.

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It's a truism to say that the clothes stamp the man. Especially is it true with evening attire. A dress suit must be perfectfitting or nothing. Whether you buy our ready-to-wear or custom suits, we guarantee a perfect fit. We stake our reputation on it.

#### Our Prices Win

every time. None can beat them-none can approach them.

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sell at \$2.25. That is a fair sample of our prices.

Loch & Co., 910 F St. N. W.

BEGGAR HOMICIDE.

Well-Lnown Bowery Character Kills

a Chum New York, Dec. 25.-It was a case of too much Christmas with Daniel Whittaker. He started off yesterday to celebrate. Now the doctors say that his life will probably go out with the day.

Whitsaker is only a Bowery "panhandler," but now that he is dying the police are hunding as energetically for the man who is probably his murderer as if he were at the top of the cocial sca'e. The team for whom the police are looking in Berney Meyer, who is also a Bowery

pan-handler."

Both men have made their home at the Dakota House, at 73 Bowery. They were out together all day yesterday begging nickels and now and then gathering in a free drink

When they went out Whittaker said there was no agreement that they should divide their spoils. If he had not received more than Mever- be might have thought

otherwise, but he was the more fortunate and so be decided to hang on to all he had-This didn't suit Meyer, and when he got back to the hotel he commenced to quarrel with his companion. There were about the place, but they paid no attention to the trouble until they saw a knife flash and Whittaker fall to the floor.

Then they ran to him and let Meyer Whitteler was taken to the Gouverneur

Hospital, where the doctors any he is

Killed in a Saloon Fight. New York, Dec. 25 .- Thomas Lennea, of Brooklyn, was killed in a general fight in a saloon tonight. He was only eighteen years old. The police have arrested ten men and are holding them as witnessed hoping to thus find out the one actually

MICHAEL DEFEATS CHASE

The "Welsh Rarcbit" Still Champion of His Class.

Englishman Not a Feature of the Race at Any Time-8,000 Persons Present.

New York, Dec. 25.-An enthusiastic crowd of 8,000 persons gathered at Madison Square Garden tonight to see a special program of cycling events. The chief ceature was a thirty mile match between Jimmy Michael, middle distance champion. and Arthur Chase, described as middle distance champion of England.

The word match was a misnomer, as Chase was 'never in it.' He was a good been ocveted. The winner sho ved re-markable speed for tea miles, but subsequent delays rescued the record from any danger.

Michael's time was 1:04:05 1-5. The track that is now laid in Madison Square Garden, on which the race took place, has been crifficated in many ways by he racing men, who have picked out what they consider defects. But as a matter of fact the track is the fastest en-las track ever constructed in this ountry, if not in the world.

It was built by contractors who understand their business thoroughly, and was nstructed scientifically for the purpose of holding up a cycle going at almost any ossible speed. To one who sees the track for the dirst

time it is a monstrosity. At the turns, which are sixteen feet in width, the planking is banked twelve feet high, and one can stand at the pole, stretch out his hand and touch the track without nding his body.

When men are riding on the turns, which are tanked at an angle of 45 degrees, they can ride three abreast at sa'e intervals and each wheel can be seen dis-tinctly standing above the lower one against the light-colored pine track.

As the men pass the center of the turns a spectator hooking at them from the center of the Garden sees nothing but the front and rear wheels, the handle bars and the back and head of the riders' bodies. It looks as if they were falling sideways from a beight.

It was thought by Chase and many of less than \$20—and no tailor will make it for less than \$25. We guarantee a perthe track on Thursday, that the stretches were so short and the banking so high that a paced race would be an unsafe one. They claimed that tanderus would got step on the turns, as they would be compelled to go over as fast as a three-manute gait, at least, to keep from sliding own, and that the stretches were too hort to stop on-

Experiments resterday proved that this was a mistaken idea, for several tandem ams were sent around for several miles and tested different sections of the banking, raveling no faster than a mile in six minutes, and it was found that they could se hat died easily, and that the pedals did ot strike.

This time the management has been areful to know that the track is not short. It has been surveyed by a city orveyor and found ten feet over the

WATER FAMINE.

Jersey City in Distress, But Hoboken Doesn't Mind.

New York, Dec. 25.—The greater part of the population of Jersey City Heights woke this morning to find itself without be had water through the city pipes. In the fashionable resident sections the houses are mostly heated by steam. There is no vater to fill the steam pipes and the fires have had to be extinguished to prevent the xplosion of the overheated empty pipes.

Dry bread and such things as can be reed or broiled were all that the Jersey City Heights people were able to get for their breakfast this Christmas morning. Coffee was a luxury they may not hope to enjoy until the water famine is

ons to locate the break and tests of the pes were made all over the full, A treat was finally located near the Belleville water works of the Jersey Wate. operany, which supplies Jersey City and Bayonne with water.
The famine extended from Greenville to

Vest Hoboken, where water is a everinmenth temand. The ratificials are suffering from the lack of water. None of the engines at the meadow shops are able to get water A few wells are scattered about the Under ordinary circumstances but few of these are used, as it is feared hat the water is not healthful. This nothing, however, there was such a run all the wells, good and had, that many

f then were pumped dry.

The famine began at 11 o'clock last

Chief Engineer Fowler sent a gang of on to repair the break, and it will take veral loors. In the meantime Jersey ity is without any water in case of fire. and Bayonne and Green die are in the

Drove Gver Harry Linton.

Harry Liuton, twelve years old, was nocked down and run over last night on H street northeast, by a horse and carriage were supposed to be intoxicated, and did a stop to ascertain the extent of the lad's injuries. He was picked up and carried to his home on H street, near Third, northeast. He was badly out and rused but not seriously burt.

House Afire: Family Absent. Policeman McDaniels discovered fire in the home of Mrs. Whitmore, No. 934 K treet northwest, last night, while passir the house. All the members of the family were it. bultimore yesterday, and then the firemen arrived they broke in the house and extinguished the flames. The blaze is supposed to have started from a latrobe, and caused damage to the extent of \$75. There

The germs of consumption are everywhere.

There is no way but to fight them.

If there is a history of weak lungs in the family, this fight must be constant and vigorous.

You must strike the disease, or it will strike you. At the very first sign of failing health take Scott's Emulsion of Cod-liver Oil

with Hypophosphites. It gives the body power to resist the germs of consump-

tion. and \$1.00. all druggists SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York. GOLDENBERG'S.

Special values

in domestics.

Monday we shall offer some of the best alues of the year in domestics. Count

Monday we shall offer yard-wide Fruit of the Loom" cotton-you know very well what you pay for it usually per yard— 57/8C

We shall offer 81 by 90 Lockwood sheets which are neatly hemined and leady for 390 use-for......

42 by 36 hemstitched pillow cases,

9-quarter bleached sheeting-which you cannot buy elsewhere—quality considered—for near 11½C

Heavy quality canton flannel of exceptionally good quality will be offered Monelay per yard 4½ C

Fine Berlin black sateen which regularly sells for 18 cents a yard wall be offered Mon- 11½ C

Yard-wide unbleached cotton which masn't been sold for so little

In a long while will be of-fered Monday - peryard - for ... 378C

Dark outing flannel—whose uses are outsitiess—you may buy ere Monday—per yard— 41/2 C

Monday you may have heavy feather-proof ticking in very good natterns-per yard— 934 C

Monday we shall place on sale 500 pairs of leavy white and tray blankets, of fine sect fluish-per pair 30C

200 pairs of 11-quarter heavy wool blankets, with handsome Scotch colored borders—slik tound edges—which are worth \$3 a pair—for.

100 pairs of 11-quarter fine selected California wool blankets of the very finest quality which are worth \$5.50 a pair for.. \$3.69

Lat of fine bed comforts, covered with pretty sikeline and filled with pure white cotton—full size and well unde—regular \$2 value for.... \$1.39

Fine French sateen covered hed comforts, lined with solid color, and falled with soft, white cotton-pattern stached and as well made as any sold-regular \$4.50 values - \$2.95

was no means of looking the house after it

William Stein, of St. Louis, May

Die of His Wounds.

affrays, chiefly between negroes in various

parts of the city's tough sections, the

day's criminal calendar culminating to

The victin is William Stein, who was

Stein attempted to escape but one of the

side, and be fell, crying that he was mur-

Jonadabs 13ect Officers.

the ensuing term, at Jonadab Hall, No. 623 Lomska a avenue, last evening: Worthy

chief, Joseph D. Steele; vice chi f. Arthur

Edwards; guide, Frank Norris; assistant

guide, John F Riley (re-elected); treasurer, G. G. Campbell (re-elected); financial sec-

retary, William H. Young (re-elected);

recording secretary, D. F. Brown tre-elect-

ed); patriarch, Henry Yenney (re-elected);

members during the past year and is in

Railroad Man Mardered.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 25.-C. D.

Mitchell, of Eutaw. Ala., a section boss on

the A. G. S. R. R., was murdered jast

night by Andy Williams, a negro section hand. A posse is in pursuit of the mur-

derer, and it is feared that he will be

Applied Socialism.

(From the Detroit Free Fress.)

It happened during the campaign, but

the incident is just now getting into cir-

culation. Smoother has made a fortune

and row wants to crown his career by

serving the dear people in some important

omewhat communistic, and the deaf-ning

applause was music to him when he said:

'I believe that we who have more than

we require, should share with those who

for us all, and I cannot believe that you

When Smoother awakened the next

must have forgotten to place it there. On

stairs he noted on the hall rack but one

bat and overcoat, where he had kept two

for years. As he was about to break

forth it explanation of how he had been robbed his wife banded him a sealed com

anication, which she had found under

"I heard your speech last eight," it said.

"Then's my sentiments, boss. 1 knowed the way you talked you was in earnest,

so I come tonight for to call, but you wa

sleenin' so good I didn't wake you. Seein'

that you had two or three kinds of every-thing I needed, I took one of each, just as

City Brevities,

Mr. Elbert S. Maloney, who has been

attending the Randolph Macon College, has returned home for the holidays.

The Morning, Evening and Sonday

Times for fifty cents a month.

same platform with him.

are suffering for the necessities of life.'

There is more than enough

nid have a superfluity while others

his pillow, but concluded that he

watch, Edward F. Reeves; outside

night in a tragic hold-up.

dered. He will probably die.

watch, Henry A. Martin.

lynched wher, caught,

them as his own.

a besitter condition financially.

night.

Bedwear.

which wouldcost you as much again to make at some—will be offered Monday for

"THE DEPENDABLE STORE."

GOLDENBERG'S.

> The greatest of all wrap values. Between Christmas and New Year week is known as the

dull week of the year—but we intend to make it very busy here. Monday we shall offer special values in ladies' jackets and capes that are so great in saving importance that no woman who needs a winter wrap can resist them. The special offerings will also be named partly in reciprocation of the great business which we have done this holiday seasonthe biggest Christmas trade we have done since we have been in Washington. Lots and lots of ladies who have put off buying a wrap on account of the mild weather will receive the news of the big offerings with much eagerness.

\$6 wraps, \$2.98

Monday we shall offer the choice of ladies' stylish jackets and capes, con-sisting of half satin-lined boucle and tan covert jackets and neatly braided cloth capes, which sold for \$5 and \$6-for...... \$2.98

\$12 wraps, \$7 Choice of ladies' handsome kersey and astrachan cloth coats, which are all satin-timed and made with the new and stylists hapefront—solding to this time for \$12-at.

\$20 capes, \$12.98 Choice of ladies finest Alaska seal far capes, collar of fine marten far, and also edged with same— which sold for \$20-

the most strish gar-ments of the season- \$12.98 50c. scarfs, 29c.

Monday we shall offer 54-inch spachtel bureau scarfs, which sold for 50c-for..... 29c \$1 scarfs, 59c.

30c. pillow shams, 17c. 

17C

\$15 capes, \$7.50

Choice of the very stylish real as-trachan fur capes—choice of 27 and 30 in lengths—lined with time duchesse sweep-made in the best manner which sold for \$7.50

\$12 capes, \$6.50 Choice of fine plush capes, which are handsomely braided and edged with fine Thibet fur-made with empire back - garments which we have been selling at \$12-orfered for \$6.50

\$7 coats. \$2.98

Choice of the children's and misses' fine coats, of kersey and boucle-sizes 4 to 14 only - which sold for \$7--but because there are 

Rugs.

Lot of handsome Smyrna rugs, finished with wool knotted france at both ends, size 3 by 6 feet -worth \$4 \$2.39

### 24-inch black rustling taffeta for himgs and undershirts—very beavy silk andgood black, which selisre;-iarly at 89c, a yard—Monday for ... 69c Portieres.

Lot of very handsome Portices con-sizing of satin-faced tapestry and close woven chemiles, with dado and close woven chemiles, w fringe top and bot tom worth from \$2.75 to \$3.50 go tomorrow for \$1.80

"THE DEPENDABLE STORE."

shoe specials.

The past month's immense shoe trade has lett us with a large quantity of broken lots and odd sizes in shoes-and tomorrow we shall place them on sale at prices that are the lowest ever known for such high grade foot-wear. It's a splendid chance for you to save money.

The balance of the facties' regular \$1.50 dongola and vici kid shoes, in button and lace styles soft and comfortable and worth even more than our criginal price for...

Take your choice of the balance of the ladies finest sloes, which sold for \$2.50 and \$3.00 our best sellers and cannot be bought elsewhere for these prices tomorrow for the balance \$1.98

Monday's

silk specials.

21-inch plain black pear de seie-a very handsome slik for evening diess; guaranteed every thread slik; our regular \$1.39 grade-Monday for.. \$1

Monday's

1.00 pairs of "sample" portieres con-sisting of heavy figured satin tapestry and double by der chemille in the most exclusive designs 'fmissed with heavy hand knotted fringewhich are worth from \$1.50 to \$5.98 will go tomorrow for a pair.... \$2.85

The regular 59-cent Cocoa door mats, will go on sale temorrow for... 35c

# GOLDENBERG'S, "The Dependable Store,"

GOLDENBERG'S.

Curtains. 500 pairs of Heavy Nottingham Lace Curtains, in a variety of pretty pat-terns-full length and whith-will be offered tomorrow, per pair, 40C

Fine Nottingham Lace Curtains, in facts—finishedwithtape 1 and whipped edges— which are worth \$1.48 a pair—for

Fine Scotch Lace Curtains in beautiful Saxony and renaissance effects—31-3 yards long and 60 inches wide-which are worth \$2 a pair—\$1.39 \$1.39

Bagdad Court Covers, in very handwhich are worth \$7.98 will go tollorow for \$2

Upholsteries.

Japanese crepe and go in a large variety of handson: patients will be offered bonorrow, per yard for

9%C

aling in colors to match all draperies worth 10c is yard will be offered tomorrow for 0 .C Sun Proof Opaque Window mounted on the best spring rollers, complete with fixtures - regular 25s sort-for.....

18c Cotton Ball Fringe for trimming sash curtains, etc., which regularly sells for 5c a yard-goes bonorrow for 21/4C

Brass Extension Sash Curtain Rods, complete with fixtures—extension from 24 to 44-regular 15c sort— 81/2 C 81/2C

Dining Table Covers, consisting of heavy quality clentile and tapestry, fringed all around—in a very complete variety of pretty patterns—that sell regularly for \$2.25—

Beautiful Colored Cretome, for fur-

The usual 5c Lace Stripe Curtain Scrim for curtains will go on cale tomorrow, per yard. 234C 2 4C

A Gentle Hint. The success of F. J. Stimson's "Kinz Noamet!" has led the publishers to delve into the inevitable past and resurrect for reprint earlier stories long forgotten. We have these in "Mrs. Knollys, and Other | pastor told his substitute that the window Kichaid Croker, late of London, Engliad, now of Lakewood, N. J.

Robert A. Van Wyck, boss-presemptive in the world, with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world, with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world, with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual control of the second greatest city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual city in the world with \$70,000,000 annual city in the world with \$70,000,000 an The tale which gives name to behind the pulpit was broken, but re-Robert A. Van Wyck, boss-presemptive of the second greatest town on earth.

"Tom." Grady, adviser in ordinary to to a real plum pudding.

"Tom." Grady, adviser in ordinary to scrap of this author's writing could have in an applicable tone that be slidn't a induced its reappearance. It is clever and passe the people could afford new one The young minister promised to refrain

> found the draught from the window unendurable. He quietly took his overcost and stuffed if through the broken glass. The deacons

> moment. When he armounted the second hymn he found the last two stanzas missing. He read what he had, then said to the

> and new hymnals provided before the next Sabbath.

> > Worn by Washington,

In excavating ground for a building operation at the Falls and Schuylkill two or three days ago a laborer uncarthed at a depth of about eight feet a curious old bronze botton of considerable historic inetrest. It is about one and one-quarter inches in diameter, and on its face are the letters 'G. W.," surrounded b eral curio collectors who have examined the butten are of the opinion that it was made and worn during Washington's first term as President of the Republic, shortly after the war of the revolution. It was quite customary for the gentry of that day to adort it elegrent contained other wear og So far as is known, no other buttons of this kind with Washington's initials have ever been preserved. The relic is now in the lots of Capt. C. T. Street, who in tends to present it to the Independence Hall collection. How the button over happened to become embedded in class at such a depth is a mystery.

Providence doesn't take any interest in women who stands on a rocking-chair to light the gas.

Rid of Him.

(From Hariem Life.) "Why do you remain at Yale, fom? You are not doing anything there.'
"No, but the family considers it a

Pardons While You Wait.

To all ye breakers of the laws. Good cheer this Christmas day!

This Santa Claus will take your part. And send a pardon quick: The 'you may be the meanest thief. Clieer up! He'll come to your relief.

If wishows suffered when you stole, And orphans lost their all. Don't let regrel disturb your soul. But on McKinley call. His heart is soft—he'll hear your cry—

You'll get more chances by and by.
-N. A. J., in New York World.

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VAULTING AMBITION HIS had been broken into, and an officer was kept on guard at the residence during the Richard Croker | Fain Would SHOT FLEEING FROM FOOTPADS Branch Ont.

St. Leuis, Dec. 25.—Christmas was marked here with half a dozen murder as Murphy in 1899. The Up-State Machine.

New York, Dec. 25.-From a political crossing the street several blocks from his point of view the New Yorkers who, as some, when two footpads halted him individuals, have the best reasons for individuals, have the best reasons for

footpack shot him, the ball entering Stein's making this a merry day are these: now of Lakewood, N. J.

dab, elected the following officers for Mr. Croker,

"Johnny" Carroll, sponsor of Mayor elect Van Wyck. There are many more who follow the fortunes of these four, but all of them put together will not receive such substantial presents (and, after awhile, so

Mr. Croker finds more in his stocking than any other politician in the country. It is a very merry Christmas to him-Centennial Council shows an increase in a power greater than Expressman Platt. Mark Hanna, "Matt" Quay or any Re publican boss ever dug from his stock

ing on a metry Yuletide season. Two months ago Mr. Croker was "out of politics." Now, everybody except Mr. Croker is out. Mr. Croker is very much in. He is the absolute boss of the whole political game. All that power which an Platt wielded to his own un doing is now Mr. Croker's, plus a great

deal that Mr. Platt never possessed. Mr. Croker has picked all the munici, at officers who are to manage the new administration; he has set sail to usurp the party machinery of the State, which David B. Hill built up; he has selected Grady of bellow the wants of the city to the Legis lature; made Canter the logical leader of the party in the State by so doing; patched up deals with Platt to split the conferring of favors upon the corporations at satispositior of trust. He has studied the views that he thinks most acceptable to factory terms, and inaugurated a scheme a majority of the masses, and adopted which is to give him entire control of every part of the Democratic machinery in the Wher last on the stump his ideas were

State. Flushed with his success, he has sen his agents into the cow counties up the State to tear down the machine which knew Hill for its leader, and is now building one of his own, in the manipulation of which Hill is to have no voice.

Murphy, anxious for a re-election to the United States, Senate in 1899, is with him, and there can be no doubt that Croker morning he first missed his watch from is anxious to shipe as the greatest political leader the country has ever known. Thenational leaders who remained at home last year to fight the hopeless battle of Eryan-ism, may scorn and scoff at Croker, say be his dresser he found one costly diamond stud where he had left two. His business suit was gone and he found only his best skulked and refuse to take him seriously but Croker is intensely in earnest and has inparted his enthusiasm to his followers The whole purpose of the boss is to transfer the control of a harmonized party per the clab process from Albany and Troy to the little yellow brick build ing at No. 111 Broadway, where he dab bles in real estate and practices politics His ambition is attracting a great deal of attention. Every State leader of the party in the country is watching him with jealous eyes, skeptical of his honesty of purpose, distrustful of his suc-

Croker realized the unfriendliness of the you arg'ed in your speech. I'm with you." Now Smoother goes about abusing the national Democraticleaders while he waited in the residence of Senator Murphy at police department because it can't find the fellow that stood too literally on the Congress to Flock to him in homage. None came. They were even ungenerous in their comments upon his presence at the capital. They refused to deal with him.

But Croker thinks he can bring the na

tional leaders to his feet by the same methods he does the district leaders in the borough of Manhattan. The idea of being a real boss so possesses him that he will extend his visit to this country far he-

in May. The rest of the time he will scratched away for hours and finally re- Daughter." His works disclose a There is a labudable ambition behind all

this planning of Mr. Croker.

Perhaps-well, there's the United States It would be a most satisfactory revenge upon his critics who have called him most of the bad named in the dictionary, to have himself elected to the most honorable office under the government by the machine he is building up.
Think of Mr. Croker's triumph on tak-

ing a seat in the chamber at Washington. wearing the imaginary toga of a noble Senator: Mr. Croker, the child of the New York soums, the target of all the blackguarden, (mented and unmerited, it comes to the same) that men can otter or write. Compared to this remeanation into an illustrious statesman, pure in the posses-

Useless Advice. (From the Chicago Post-) He walked up and down the room in a very eastasy of Joy, and yet there was an busband during forty-five years. After this element of doubt in it all. Was it not too period, his wife, having grown in three and

good to last? "All mine!"

it was semething of some importance "Importance!" cried the lover. "Pon't you think it's of some importance to win best girl in the world;" ways winning them, you know." "An, but there never was the equal of

in the vorid. I have won her love from a every luxury-who had golden earles to mixed these marks in her other tooks, exmy pennies—and now my only fear is that
I may not be able to keep it. I have seen One Who Looked On." The reason of the I may not be able to keep it. I have seen so many cases where love has come and

keeping it becomes a very simple one-

sary." There is nothing that I would not do

Needed Practice. (From the Detroit Free Press.)

with a rewspaper friend.

Christmas token.

prodent official scon discovered that there ages and to all countries. The sugger were bills missing to the amount of about and the Cross" is a story of art, religion. \$500, but inferred that the president had arms and late. The thread of the narracharged the amount to himself, and said tive begins in Venice but it shifts to Derb-nothing. After waiting till the new year shire, England, and, when the story gets called for a statement, the cashier called into full motion, the scene is crywood with the attention of the president to the discourage characters. Italian and English.

them bills and chucked them into the fire." \$1.25.)

Novel Notes.

claimed the enthusiastic one. "I can stund inespectally good; the "Three Achievements it. It will not distract from my loy-from of Eileen" will interest beyond a doubt. that plassing sense of possession. She line and the reader will remember the units. promised to be mine."
"Oh, is that all?" returned the chim-

gone. "I wouldn't let that worry me." returned the chum- puffing at his cigar meditatively. "If you are satisfied that you really have her love the question of

'Ab, but does it?" "Unquestionably, if one cares energh about keeping it to do what is neces-

to accomplish that." "Then let her marry the other fellow. I've never known that to fail."

Yet the lover would not do it. However such the plan might appeal to his reason it could not be passed over the veto men sage that came from his heart. And it has been ever thus. Man studies woman and ther fails to profit by what he learns

ceived from Washington a lot of bitls A. G. McClurg & Co. Washington Pren-which, as you know, had to be signed by tano. \$1.25.) the cashier and the president. The cash-ler affixed his signature and then sent the "The Dagger and the Cross" is the new sheets to the president, who took story by Joseph Hatten, who is known as off his coat, stirred up the grate fire and a prolific novelist, his fame resting chiefly yond the ordinary length of time.

The will go to London for a few weeks unusual task placed before him. He "By Order of the Czar" and "An Exne's

remain in New York, and build up his turned the sheets to the cashier. That position, who is at fleme, secondary in all

well told, but unpleasant. The theme is

ientific and concerns itself with the preervation, in an Alpine glacier, of a young period, his wife, having grown to three an J-

sixty, is confingful with her voethful load "Gold, silver or coal mine?" asked his It is much pleasanter to turn to the other hum.
"Oh. Isagh at me if you want to," exhealthy enjoyment. "A First Love Letter"

'Nothing but a love affair, is it? I thought Sons, Washington: All booksellers, \$1.50.) In "At the Cross Roads" F. F. Montreson has given herself the fuxure of a long spun But there are so many best girls in the novel. It runs through nearly 500 pages world." protested the chum. "Men are al- of rather small print. If one has the t the candie is worth the burning, for this woman always writes well. Her best this one. I tell you I am the happiest man achievements are in introspection, analysis in the vorid. I have won her love from a of motives, and vivisection of character, man who was in a position to offer her. Those familiar with her work have ecog-

"In a Garret," "A Daughter of Spain," and

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congregation: "These are all the verses in my book; if there are any more in yours you may sing them." Needless to say, the window was mended

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